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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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: Attn: Application Branch

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AGENTS AND CRYSTALS FOR IMPROVING
EXCRETORY POTENCY OF URINARY BLADDER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 3 with the following paragraph:

Also described in the Japanese Patent Kokai Publication is an amorphous substance of 8-[3-[1-[(3-fluorophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]-1-oxopropyl]-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,2,1-ij]quinolin-4-one or a salt thereof, which possesses an action to inhibit acetylcholinesterase.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 26 with the following paragraph:

There has also been a desire in the pharmaceutical industry to attain crystals that are good in absorbability and are used for an acetylcholinesterase inhibitor, an agent for improving the excretory potency of a urinary bladder, and a therapeutic agent against micturition disorders/dysuria disorders which are stable.